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SALMON P. CHASE.

Gov. Chase was yesterday elected to the U. S. Senate by the Legislature of Ohio, by a vote of 75 against 54. He takes the place of that meanest of doughfaces, Geo. E. Pugh—a change as creditable to Ohio as it is acceptable to the entire North.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The *America* which arrived at Halifax yesterday brings intelligence that the probability of the speedy meeting of the proposed European Congress has lately been strengthened by the refusal of the British Cabinet to pledge itself to the leading Powers, in favor of non-intervention in Italy, without the consent of Parliament. We are further assured of the existence of the *entente cordiale* between England and France, and of their zealous co-operation for the protection of the newly acquired rights of the Italian States.

CLERKSHIP OF THE HOUSE.

Without any positive information in relation to the matter, we take it for granted that John W. Forney, of Pa., will be elected Clerk of the House, to-day, by the united votes of the Republicans and Anti-Lecompton Democrats. It is supposed that Hickman, Haskin, Schwartz and Reynolds will insist upon him in return for their services in securing the triumph of a Republican Speaker. Mr. F.'s consistent opposition to the Lecompton iniquity, and his continued hostility to the men who plotted it, have, in spite of his nominal adherence to Douglas, given him strong claims upon the Republicans; and, so far as we know, there is a general disposition to testify their appreciation of his zeal and ability by giving him the honorable and important post for which he is named. His eminent fitness for the place is admitted, on all hands.

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But we want the State Society to hold their Fair here next Fall, and we want a permanent Fair Ground. How are these objects to be attained? I can tell you in one sentence:

Go to the citizens for a subscription to fit up the grounds for the State Society next fall. Have it (the subscription) as large as possible. Say eight thousand dollars. Then if the Society locate here, advertise that this sum will be expended wherever the best terms are offered. The land offered must be within a distance of miles from the Court House, at least one steam railway must have a depot upon it, and the assurance that the horse railway track will be laid to it before the 1st Fair; with pleasant entrances, egress, &c. The ground so situated that it can be easily drained. After you have got bids for a number of pieces, go to parties who are interested in having the Fair located on a particular place, and see what they will give to have the Fair located at that point, and then go to others with the same question. In this way you would get up a competition, for we all know that land around the Fair Ground would be greatly benefitted. Now, do this in all fairness, without favor to any one, and by next May 31st. Association could commence work with a free subscription that would give assurance of complete success.

Adopt the course above indicated and you can't fail to succeed. Attempt any other course and you will insist upon him in return for their services in securing the triumph of a Republican Speaker. Mr. F.'s consistent opposition to the Lecompton iniquity, and his continued hostility to the men who plotted it, have, in spite of his nominal adherence to Douglas, given him strong claims upon the Republicans; and, so far as we know, there is a general disposition to testify their appreciation of his zeal and ability by giving him the honorable and important post for which he is named. His eminent fitness for the place is admitted, on all hands.

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THE CITY.

COAT STOLEN.—A coat hanging in front of Scott & Keene, clothiers on Lake st. was stolen on Wednesday evening.

LARCENY OR TOOLS.—A quantity of carpenters tools were stolen from a carpenter's shop of P. F. Root on the alley in the rear of First Baptist Church.

THE SPECIAL ADJOURNMENTS.—The Superior Court is still occupied in hearing the objections of property owners to the application of the city for judgments upon unpaid assessments. Judgments have been rendered where no objections have been filed. A large number are still under advisement.

REJOICING ON THE WEST SIDE.—Amid yesterday morning's notes on the jubilations of Republicans over the election of Pennington, should have been mentioned a noble rally at West Market Hall, which building was finely illuminated on Wednesday evening.

A BEASTLY TASTE.—At the risk of advertising the show, we would say that the proprietor of the infamous exhibition of a *human monster*, on Dearborn street, near the Post Office, should be sent to hammering stone in the Bridewell. Why will not the Mayor revoke the license and rid the city of this hideous pander to low taste?

THE CHICAGO MEDICAL EXAMINER.—The second number of the new medical journal, edited by Drs. Davis and Steele, is just out for February. It is in handsome style and well filled. It will especially interest the profession, as presenting Prof. Deville's side of the controversy in issue between himself and Dr. Brainard as to the Parotid Gland and its Diseases.

HONORABLE ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO THE M. C. R. R. COMPANY.—We find in a Leavenworth (K. T.) exchange, an extended acknowledgment of a firm, Messrs. Watson, Brace & Co., to the Michigan Central Railroad Company, for their promptness in meeting in advance, and adjusting in full, claims for damages to goods by the burning of a freight car *en route*. It only adds another to the many testimonials of a like character in the Company's possession. Corporations, like individuals, may win and profit by a character of this kind.

THE MCILRAVY CO. BODY-SNATCHING CASE.—The Woodstock, McHenry Co. *Sentinel* refers to the late resurrection of a body at Nunda, in that vicinity, where, as will be remembered, the body was found in a barrel in transit through this city. It seems suspicions have been rife in that neighborhood, that fits burying ground has been before and often drawn upon for medical, scientific purposes, and more circumspection was used, to which Dr. Winslow fell a victim. The event is calculated to inspire more caution among the fraternity.

"DR. Winslow has not yet been arrested, from the fact that he cannot be found, he having left the neighborhood as soon as he found out that his misdeeds were discovered. The body of the young man, after having been brought back, was decently clothed, and a second time placed within the bosom of "mother earth;" and, as a precautionary measure, stones weighing several hundred pounds placed on top. It is to be hoped that this time he will be allowed to "rest in peace." Residents of Algonquin inform us that the people there are very much interested thither by the reported violation of the grave, and should he dare to return, he will probably be roughly handled.

POLICE.

CITY MARSHAL'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR.—The City Marshal makes the following report of the business of his office during the year ending Jan. 1st, 1860:

Whole number of arrests	822
Amount of fines imposed	$1,240
Amount of property reported stolen	41,797
Amount of property recovered	24,450

The causes and number of arrests have been as follows:

Arson	5	Larceny	104
Assault	10	Murder	1
Assault and battery	7	Obtaining money and property by false pretenses	20
Breaking jail	2	Obtaining money and property by false pretenses, by pawnbroking without license	2
Conspiracy to induce to go aboard ship	12	Perjury	1
Drunk and disorderly	29	Pimping	4
Embezzlement	7	Pickpockets	2
Entering dwelling house for the purpose of larceny	2	Receiving stolen property	2
Fraud	4	Riot	1
Female keeping house of ill fame	4	Robbery	2
Gaming	4	Selling lottery tickets	2
Habitual drunkard	1	Threats	1
House and estable thieves	19	Vagrancy	15
Insanity and idiocy	2		
Keeping houses of ill-fame	11	Total	322

The above arrests were all made by the eight officers Gray, Douglas, Kauffman, I. H. Williams, Asa Williams, Tenbroeck, Almandinger, Macaulay, and the City Marshal, and speaks well for the effectiveness of the force, attesting that there is an art and a dexterity in the profession of a detective only to be acquired by practice and training.

A JEREMY DIDDLER AND HIS OIL DEAL.—A young country lad from Farmington, Wisconsin, named Frederick Hilker, has been the victim of a rascal unknown, of whom he complained yesterday to the City Marshal. He says a man representing himself as a conductor on the Ohio & Mississippi Railroad, promised him a situation on his train if he would go to St. Louis with him. Hilker consented, and taking $22 with him, the pair departed. Arriving at Janesville his companion borrowed $10 of him and his watch, disposing of the latter, with Hilker's consent. They arrived in this city on Wednesday, and during the day the pseudo conductor managed to get the balance of his money out of him. Towards night he returned $10 to him on the Bank of Brownsville, a worthless shin-plaster, and agreed to give him the rest yesterday. Since that time Hilker has not seen him, and the rascal no doubt long ere this has cleared out. It is a hard case for Hilker who is penniless in a strange city.

CHARGED WITH ABORTION.—A man named George Merrill was brought before Justices Akin and Milliken, charged with having sought to procure abortion on one Anna Scales, who lives near Bull's Head. The complaining witness testified that she became pregnant by the defendant, and that after he learned it, he took her to a house on Wells street, occupied by a colored fortune teller, where he procured some medicines, which he told her to take, and which resulted in an abortion. After a hearing the defendant was dismissed on the original complaint, but held in $200 for Bastardy.

A LIBELLER IN TROUBLE.—A warrant was procured yesterday for the arrest of Jerome M. Foster, an infamous fellow, a lounger about the lower dens and haunts of the town, whose sole professed business for months past has been corresponding with the *National Police Gazette*, a connection entirely worthy both of that sheet and himself. Recently he turned up in Sonora, having been attracted thither by the reported richness of its mines. Being naturally of a restless disposition, he took part in the domestic troubles of the State, and was engaged in the Liberal side in several revolutionary movements. When the regular Governor, Gavalando, obtained the mastery, our American adventurer was compelled to fly for his life and take refuge in United States territory.

After all his wanderings and adventures he became anxious to see his wife once more, if still alive, and to learn something of what had transpired after his flight. He was still ignorant of the fact that his innocence had been established, and knew nothing of the existence of a daughter. Traveling under an assumed name, and trusting to the effect of years and hardships to conceal his identity, he set out for New York State.

About six weeks ago he came to this city on his way to Rochester, intending to remain two or three days. He fell in with Mr. Bequindon, for, and, as the latter had a brother in Sonora, an acquaintance sprung up between them, which led to Mr. K. inviting his new acquaintance to his house in Kinzua street. Here he met with the young lady who bore the name of her foster parents, and he became at once deeply interested in her. Instead of proceeding at once to Rochester, he remained at Cleveland, fascinated by the charms of the young lady. Having met some Rochester people, who did not recognize him, and learned that his wife had died years since, he abandoned his idea of visiting Rochester, and paid assiduous attention to the young lady who had so smitten him. The result was that he offered her his hand—still under the assumed name that he had borne for years—and was accepted. The marriage was fixed for Monday evening last.

On Sunday evening the intended bridegroom was talking with the intended bride, when his attention was attracted to a locket which she wore. His curiosity was gratified by the locket being opened, and a miniature portrait of a lady was revealed. He turned pale at seeing it, and could scarcely speak. *It was the portrait of his wife*, taken about a year before her death. Further inquiries disclosed the fact that it was the portrait of the young lady's mother, and that the man had been almost miraculously saved from the horrible crime of marrying his own daughter.

We suppress the name of the parties in this extraordinary transaction, out of respect to the feelings of the young lady. The father and daughter, unable to remain in a place containing painful recollections, left yesterday for a Western State.

The Ice Boat a Humbug.

We do not intend to say that such a machine as an Ice Boat, never will succeed; but we think we can safely predict that the much-talked of, and long-looked for Ice Boat, of which Mr. Norman Wiard claims to have been the "successful inventor," is a humbug. A few days ago the Rockford (Ill.) *News*, put forth an announcement that Wiard's Ice Boat was running on the Mississippi river, below La Crosse and Prairie du Chien, and that several successful trips had been made, &c. This item is now gaining a pretty extensive circulation, and will probably cross the waters and get into the English prints, because what is not true (and often that which is not even plausible) will travel faster and farther than what is true. The La Crosse *Union* says that no such trip has been made, and will not be made this season, and adds:—"The Ice Boat could run along the top of the Mississippi bluffs just as well as over the present rough, ridgy feel of the river. The whole project of navigating the Mississippi with Ice Boats is simply visionary."—*St. Paul Minnesotian.*

EXODUS OF FLORIDA PLANTERS WESTWARD.—During the past two or three years there has been going on quite an important emigration of planters from Florida to the Mississippi Valley and Texas. This winter we have heard the names of several of the oldest citizens of Middle Florida, who have passed through this city with their slaves in search of more fertile lands in the South-west. And we are informed that many more seriously talk of following the example of their old neighbors, by seeking new homes on the banks of the Mississippi, or in the rich bottoms of Texas. They say the delightful climate of Florida does not compensate the planter for the loss he suffers in consequence of the inferiority of the Florida soil, as compared with that of the western river bottoms, for the production of the great Southern staples; and therefore they are induced to seek a better field for the employment of the labor of their slaves. Those who have tried the experiment of a change for a year or two, have all been greatly benefited pecuniarily; and it seems probable that most of the planters who live in Middle and West Florida will, before long, be drawn away from that country.—*N. O. Crescent.*

☞ The Pike's Peak correspondent of the St. Louis *Republican*, under date of Denver City, Jan. 19th, says:

"On Sunday night last, Auraria and the country generally was with a sad loss in the death of Wm. A. McFadding, President of the Auraria Town Company, and one of the pioneers of this country. To him the people are indebted as one of the first and best prospectors of the country. His dying delineation of the bowels. Yesterday he was buried with the combined honors of the Masons and Odd Fellows. The Rocky Mountain Brass Band was in attendance, and followed his remains to the grave."

Railroad Accident.

DAYTON, O., Feb. 2.—An accident occurred to the Dayton and Michigan passenger train coming south this morning, three miles this side of Tippecanoe. In consequence of the breaking of axeal, the two passenger cars were precipitated into the canal. The passengers all escaped without serious injury, but not without a cold bath. The engine and baggage cars remained on the track, and brought the passengers to Dayton about nine o'clock this morning.

A Lady Burnt to Death.

PORTSMOUTH, Feb. 2.—Miss Rebecca Blodget, a very estimable lady, was burnt to death this morning. Her clothing accidentally caught fire, and before relief could be rendered, she died in extreme agony. She is very respectably connected.

Mr. Sumner's Lecture on Russia.

The regular lecture in the Course of the Young Men's Association, was delivered at Metropolitan Hall last evening, before a large and appreciative audience, by George Sumner, Esq. No class of lectures have a more practical value, and possess at the same time more interest than those which are the result and fruit of intelligent research in foreign lands. The tourist, if he be fitted to avail himself of his opportunities, if his heart be sufficiently cosmopolitan to lay aside prejudices of birth and education and judge and discern from what he sees, wins from the possession of such faculties, a theme of which an audience will rarely weary. Of such class was Mr. Sumner's lecture last evening. Mr. Sumner resided for two years in Russia, visiting its chief cities and places of interest, and mingling in its best society, and rare opportunities of observing the working of that great empire. He therefore speaks from actual observation, and gave one of the most able, instructive and entertaining lectures of the course.

From whatever point of view, said Mr. Sumner, and whatever may be our individual sympathies, Russia is certainly one of the most interesting countries to study. Immense in territory, covering ten times as much soil as France, larger than was ever the Roman Empire—having an army of nearly a million of men—and a population of sixty millions, whose cry is, "We are the slaves of God and the Czar." It merits, apparently, the appellation of the Colossus of the North.

Mr. Sumner then proceeded to an examination of Russia, premising that Americans, away from the fear which best policy inspires in Europe, are in a position to judge her course impartially, and that, if anything they have to guard against, a too great sympathy for her, based upon her honorable conduct in her relations with the United States—upon the aid she has given through her ministers to American Legations when in difficulties—and also upon the readiness with which she has adopted the labors of our own engineers and mechanics.

A vivid picture of St. Petersburg was given, with its monuments, its statues, its museums, its parades, its gardens and its squares, in one of which five Boston Commons, State House and all might be swallowed up;—then passing from the exterior aspect, Mr. Sumner proceeded to show the interior life,—the blind obedience, the passive submission to the ranks according to superior rank, and the constant formula of reply, "Exactly so, your high Excellency," to any observation made by one of higher official position.

But in contrast to types like this were many others filled with a noble pride of country, and with a desire to improve its condition. Passages from letters were read from Germans, or Germans, were read, and justice done to the activity of individuals who were toiling by their pens and by the stage to elevate the moral character of their country men.

The government itself offers a striking contrast to that of Austria and other States, (where the best men are compelled by numbers to keep themselves in power,) by hiring and working to an end—to uproot abuses, found institutions, and elevate Russia. The Emperor Nicholas, with his noble intentions and great activity, would have rendered eminent service to Russia had he not been seduced by the cringing servility of other European states into playing a part without his borders. The course of the government in regard to the material resources of the country was sketched; its agricultural schools, its colleges of civil engineers, and the system of taking account the immense forests of the North and rewooding the prairies of the South (70 per cent. of soil being forest in one section, and only 2 per cent. in the other,) its introduction of American ploughs and other agricultural machines, and then the employment of American mechanics.

Of these Mr. Sumner gave a complete historical sketch, beginning with Timothy Claxton, a Bostonian, who in 1815 went to St. Petersburg, Russia, to light it with gas, and describing every American machine and engineer that has gained a foothold in Russia.

But all these attempts to improve the material condition of Russia have failed of their full effect, because of the imperfect administration of justice, and because the *dignity of labor* has not been recognized. To reform these two great abuses, by means of independent judges and by the abolition of Slavery, is the great ask of the Russian government.

Mr. Sumner took the audience to a Russian nobleman's estate; pointed out the modes of life of master and slave; the village of the serfs, their hard, nearly their obligations to the master; their elected chiefs; the *deathby*, who stand between them and their master, and gave a complete picture of the social and financial position of the serfs. This part of the lecture was enlivened by anecdotes characteristic of the men and incidents described.

The subject of the serfs and the emancipation of the serfs were sketched—the great profits secured by proprietors who employed free instead of slave labor—the attempt at a strike on account of which (in our case) is rendered impossible as it is considered a breach of the title deed—the very heavy taxes arising from this, now all paid in the hands of the proprietor, the duty of this latter, when dead, on the day of trial.

Finally, At the close of the drill, the decision shall be rendered immediately, and the colors of the contestants delivered to the victors.

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The Octoroon in Chicago—What they say of it.

Within the week Bourcicault's play of the Octoroon has been produced before Chicago play-goers at McVicker's Theatre, and each night to crowded audiences. Miss Kimberly, who has purchased the play of the author, appears in a principal character, and in other respects it has been put upon the stage with a liberality and skill highly creditable to our Chicago managers and theatrical artists. As a play, judged among others of its class, aside from its implied treatment of an exciting topic, the Octoroon is far above mediocrity, and a success.

But the chief interest that has thus far attached to its presentation here and in other cities, lies in the fact that at a time when the slavery agitation is predominating in the public mind from events past, present and to be developed in an exciting campaign on this direct issue, the playwright has made it a theme for the stage, and given to play-goers glimpses and views of the working of the institution itself. Has it been done in a partisan spirit? Is the "Octoroon" an Abolition play? Two of our colemporaries, have come out characteristically upon this point and so diversely that it will be "as good as a play" to read them in contrast:

[From the Chicago Democrat, Jan. 28th.]

THE "OCTOROON" PRODUCED IN CHICAGO.

Private letters from New York gave us a high opinion of the moral effects of the play called "The Octoroon," while the discussions in the New York papers, of a different political stamp, with its doctrines of secession, &c., fully justified the course of Bourcicault, and who are practically identified with his fate's drift.

SECOND. The contesting companies shall choose alternately six Judges, who shall choose the seventh. Each of the competitors shall have the right of objecting to either of the Judges, if it can be shown that he is in any manner interested.

THIRD. The Judges shall base their decision upon the absolute military merit of the competitors, their *knowledge and practical service*, and the extent and perfection of their drill. These points shall be determined by a test, and in a manner that will exclude all subterfuge or collusion or controversy.

FOURTH. In the event of the challenge being accepted by two or more companies in one State, we claim the right to require them to meet in a final drill, and decide which is the superior company—the drill to be conducted in accordance with the terms herein enumerated. The colors of the contesting corps shall be delivered to the victors, and we will drill with them as the representatives of their State. The colors of this Legion to serve time and expense.

FIFTH. If the company accepting the challenge come to Chicago, we will undertake to entertain them, and no effort shall be spared on our part to render their visit pleasant to all concerned.

They will be required to bring with them a flag, banner, or whatever will answer the purpose, having upon one side the arms, motto and name of the company, and the regiment, battalion and State to which they belong; and on the reverse, the State arms.

SIXTH. In the event of going from Chicago to attend any competition, an opportunity to drill for the championship, we shall require them to possess a uniform of colors, so valuable as may seem to be used in accordance with a decision to which we will send to any military company who apply for it.

SEVENTH. When the companies appear before the Judges for the commencement of their drill, we claim the right that their men are not picked for the occasion, and that all the available men of the company are present. We claim the right, if we cannot to enforce it, of requiring that our opponents shall drill in more men than constitute upon the day of trial.

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POLITICAL.

SIXTH WARD.—The officers of the Sixth Ward Republican Club are requested to meet at the lobby of West Market Hall, on Saturday evening at 7½ o'clock, to complete the organization of the Ward and otherwise oil the political machinery, so that it shall operate successfully in the approaching city contest.

Young Men's Republican Association.—The members, and all kindred who wish to become members of said Association, are requested to meet at the rooms of the Young Men's Republican Club, corner of Wells and Randolph street, on Friday evening, February 3d, at 7½ o'clock.

J. R. FLOYD, Com.
H. A. S. PICKARD,
DAVID HITT, Secretary.

LOCAL MATTERS.

☞ Go to John Jones, 119 Dearborn street and get your clothes cleaned and repaired. They will be well done and at prices to suit the times.

☞ Good board and pleasant rooms, at 157 S. Clark, for $2.75 per week; day board $3.50. January 31—6t.

"CAST IRON."—We have reduced our rates for day board to $3.50 per week, from date.

R. SOMES & Co.

Chicago, Jan. 17, 1860. Ja17-1m

MARRIED.

On the 31st ult., at the residence of the bride's mother, Corwin, N. Y., by the Rev. J. M. Guion, DAVID DEWEES PENROE, of Parkesburgh, Chester County, Pa., and MARY REBECCA, eldest daughter of the Hon. Hendy Hamilton. Also, at the same time and place, by the Rev. J. M. Guion, ALFRED COWLES, of this city, and SARAH FRANCES, third daughter of the Hon. Moses Y. Beardsley.

DIED:

At Malden, Putnam county, Ill., on the 20th of January, CATHERINE, wife of Rev. Jonathan Blanchard, D. D., and mother of Mrs. Gross Coe, aged 54 years and 9 months.

On Wednesday, February 1st, of Scarlet Fever, DE. LIA P. RICE, only child of the late Theodore F. Rice.

The Funeral will take place this day, at 11 a. m. at the residence of her uncle, Charles A. H. Rice, at No. 104 West Lake street. All friends are requested to attend.

Boston and Providence papers please copy.

Feb. 1st, LOUISA BOYINGTON, aged 11 years.

Funeral at 2 o'clock, this P. M. at the Wilson House, West Side, near the Market Bridge.

New Advertisements.

☞ *C. H. SCRIVEN, Advertising Agent, 63 Dearborn st, is authorized to receive Advertisements for this and all the leading Papers of the North West.* Ja2-1m-d

WANTED—One or two energetic young men, to canvass Chicago for the sale of some well recommended articles. Apply to J. C. SCHAFER & CO., Room 31, 66 Dearborn street. fe2-2t

WANTED.—By a respectable young man, a situation to do chamber work. Address "Mrs. G. M.," at this office. fe2-1t

WANTED—A situation to do general housework, or second work in a private family. Apply three doors from Smith's office, on east side of Clark street. fe2-1t

LOST—Last Evening, between Milwaukee Depot and Randolph street, a Lady's Morocco Purse. The small pin attached being broken. Finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving same at this office. fe2-1t

$10 REWARD.—LOST, Tuesday evening, January 31st, somewhere between Michigan avenue and Wells street, a Plain Yellow Gold Ear Ring. The finder, by leaving it at 91 Washington street, will receive the above reward. fe2-1t

TO RENT—A chance for Young Housekeepers.—A small Cottage House for rent and Furniture for sale very cheap. Everything complete. Inquire at 91 Lake street. fe2-1t

WABASH AVENUE LOT.—50 feet front on Wabash avenue, near Twelfth street, is offered for sale at $150 per foot.

Terms—One-third cash, in 1864, at 10 per cent.; balance in good property, or short paper well secured. Nothing required down.

The lot is on east front and is finely situated for a residence. Inquire of P. O. box 1369. fe2-1w

ORGANIST WANTED—Inquire at Office No. 11 Methodist Block. fe2-2w-d

FOR CITY SURVEYOR.—AN INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE for the office of City Surveyor at the next election, subject to the decision of the Republican Convention. fe2-3t

VALENTINES.—Country dealers and others who are making up their stock for Valentine's Day, are invited to call at MOSS & CO.'S, 81 Dearborn street, and examine his assortment before purchasing elsewhere. fe2-1t

YOUNG LADY'S SEMINARY —AT— LAKE FOREST.

This Institution, conducted by Rev. Dr. DICKINSON and DAUGHTER, will be opened for the reception of pupils September 1st. In its course of study are embraced the usual branches of a superior female education.

The Spring term will commence on Thursday, the 2nd of February next. Application for admission

Press & Tribune.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 3, 1860.

A LAW FOR PUNISHING "INTENTION."

We are gratified to notice that the leading Douglas organs in the Northwest are placing themselves on the record in opposition to the sentiments contained in Mr. Douglas' late speech. The Dubuque *Herald*, confronted by "J. B. Dorr, Esq., Dubuque, Iowa," comes out flat-footed against them. It is true that the Iowa organ abuses the PRESS AND TRIBUNE roundly for its comments on the new Constitution, but it is none the less fully committed against the Kinsella heresy for that reason; and we can endure the blackguarding for the genuine pleasure we experience in finding Gen. J. B. Dorr on the right side. But says the *Herald*:

"Mr. Douglas did not propose, and does not propose, to do any such thing as the PRESS AND TRIBUNE charges. He has no idea of hauling certain or any pointed creeds and opinions punishable by fine and imprisonment."

Let us see about that. In another column of this same Dubuque *Herald* we find a portion of Mr. Douglas' speech, from which we clip the following paragraphs:

"But must he and that the time has not yet arrived for such legislation. It cannot be said with truth that the Harper's Ferry case will not be repeated, or is not in danger of repetition, while only seventy-five days have gone by in which produced the Harper's Ferry on raps, and nowhere whether those cases are yet in active operation, and then you can determine whether there is any ground for apprehension. Then, and not before, will it be proper for Congress to act on the subject as the people did on the Harper's Ferry outrage."

What is this but to say, "Wait for time to show all the foul, vulgar slang which is in common use with the so-called Democracy; and the slaveholding States have been advised again and again, not to tolerate their presence on slave soil.

This course on the part of the Church South, added to the general declension of moral sentiment on the subject of Slavery, has resulted in placing the Methodist Episcopal Church under the ban of Democracy. In those States in which the Democratic party are assured of their power, Methodism is scarcely tolerated; it is denied needful legislation; its Conferences are broken up by mob violence; and in some cases its ministers have been imprisoned. We proceed to give a few instances:

Since Methodism, by the increase of members and of wealth, has become able to found seminaries and colleges, no church organization has surpassed it in this respect. Each Conference has one or more of such institutions under its particular care and patronage. Following the establishment usage of the Church—the Missouri Conference has been laboring for some years to establish a University at Jefferson City, the capital of the State. Liberal donations in lands and in money have been obtained, and a competent Board of Education secured. Two years ago the Legislature of Missouri was applied to for a charter for this University. The Democrats of that body denounced the Methodist Episcopal Church, as an Abolitionist organization, its clergy and members as negro-thieves, and, by a large majority, defeated the proposition. Again, at the recent session of that body, the request was renewed, and again the Democratic members renewed their calumnies of the Methodist Church, and defeated the charter. It is a well known fact that this kind of legislation, as a general thing, is easily obtained. All manner of religious organizations, benevolent societies, railroad and turnpike companies, Odd Fellows, Masons, Catholics—almost every conceivable object and almost every kind of association—find no difficulty in securing charters from a State Legislature. The Missouri Legislature would not have refused a charter even for organizing a company to establish a track for horse-racing, had such a charter been applied for. But when the Methodist Episcopal Church respectfully asks for a charter for a University of learning to be located in the State Capital, it is unceremoniously kicked out of the Legislature. Such is Democracy in 1860. A citizen of Missouri who is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and as good and loyal a citizen as that State possesses, thus characterizes the action of the Missouri Democracy:

"In the State of Missouri we have about one hundred and twenty regularly appointed ministers, whose entire time is devoted to the work of their profession. We have, in addition, a larger number of local preachers, who labor more or less among the people, and who have various duties of the people. We have about ten thousand communicants, with about fifty thousand regular attendants upon our ministration. We have in connection with our Church about one hundred Sunday Schools with thousands of children under our instruction. In the city of St. Louis we publish a paper of respectable character, which has already secured the largest list and circulation of any religious journal on the Mississippi river from its source to the Gulf of Mexico. We hold membership in a church of large and numerous, wealthy, and influential upon American soil, extending from ocean to ocean in the slave States and in the free States, with its missions abroad in Germany, the Russian possessions, India, Africa, China, and the islands of the seas, every where protected and respected. But let a minister here in Missouri utter a bitter reproof of the practices of the people, or even assail the moral rights of citizens! We repeat, it is an outrage upon more than seventy thousand citizens of this State; an insult to the intelligence of society at large; an act of proscription and intolerance unparalleled in American legislation, and a disgrace to Christian civilization."

Another case: The Arkansas Conference embraces the State of that name, and extends into Texas. In February, 1859 the Conference met, in annual session in Fanning County, Texas. While it was in session (Bishop Jones presiding) a public meeting was held, and a mob of some two or three hundred, broke into the Church while the Bishop was preaching, put a stop to the proceedings, and ordered the preachers to disperse on pain of bodily injury. Such is Democracy in Texas.

We close the enumeration with a single other case. The Western Virginia Conference has a membership of 21,782—which probably represents a population of more than 100,000, or nearly one-eighth of the total white population of the State—289 preachers, 282 church buildings, 11,236 Sabbath school children and 2,215 teachers. Surely with this array of strength, Methodism might be supposed to have some rights in Virginia. But what are the facts? Leading Democratic politicians of that State swear that the adherents of the Methodist Episcopal Church shall either forsake it or leave the State—that its preachers and the papers and periodicals which it furnishes shall go any how. Only a few days ago, a meeting was held in Taylor County, Va., to inaugurate a crusade against Methodism. Another was held in Kanawha Co., and in the latter county one of the preachers, Rev. Mr. Greene, a grey-headed old man, seventy years of age, was arrested, and would have gone to prison had not one of his brethren bailed him, on condition of holding sentiments at variance with Virginia Democracy!

—Let this suffice for the present. Thoughtful patriots will find food for much reflection in these facts. Democracy is thoroughly allied to slavery; and whatever religious or other organization that does not hold to the divine character of that institution, and refuses obedience to any of its demands, will not be tolerated a moment where Democracy feels secure in its power.

RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE.

It seemed not a little strange to us to learn, by telegraph, that a Jewish Rabbi made the prayer at the opening of the session of the House of Representatives on Wednesday. We apprehend that many devout Chris ian hearts will feel almost or quite grieved at this excess of tolerance of what they deem great error and blindness in matters of religion. We confess to a somewhat different feeling. "Recognizing, as we do, the divine origin of Christianity, and also the divine truth of its pure, lofty and commanding doctrines, it would have been more consistent with our own ideas to hear and try to unite in the petitions of the only prayer which the Great Teacher saw fit to give as a formula of worship for his disciples. And yet we cannot but feel that an example of religious tolerance, like that which occurred on Wednesday at Washington, is most impressive, especially when exhibited by the representatives of one of the great nations of the earth, in the midst of the intense excitement of a heated political conflict. Our nation is a Christian nation—more deeply so, we think, than any other upon earth. And yet at the foundation of our political system lies the principle of absolute toleration in religion. Placed there originally as a conception of pure political right, we think the principle is rapidly becoming recognized as propriety and duty Christian. The most enlightened theologians are beginning to see that political sanctions and supports are worse than useless to help the progress of a pure faith in setting up its kingdom in the spiritual notions of men. Christianity is now seen to teach toleration, for only in an atmosphere of freedom can its true and full nature and efficiency be developed.

The clumsy and carnal weapons of State craft weigh down and encumber the spiritual forces which alone avail to swerve hearts of men to allegiance to truth and goodness. The world moves. Let timid religionists learn that freedom is more than safe for truth and right. It is the very atmosphere in which they live and flourish.

TO PIKE'S PEAKERS.

We have before had occasion to warn such of our readers as may be about to undertake a trip to Pike's Peak, to see to it before they setting out, that, as far as possible, they provide against the necessity of being emptied out of their wagons on arrival at the mines, without the means, either in money or provisions, for a quarter's support. The note of preparation which now comes to our ears from every part of the West impels us to renew that warning.

Let it be remembered that the diggings in the new gold fields though doubtless of immense prospective value, are so far different from those in California, that the labor of the individual miner, prosecuted only with those rude implements, the shovel, pick and pan, has not thus far proved largely remunerative, if, indeed, it has furnished the laborer with his daily bread. The amount of loose or dust gold found up to this time has not been great enough to encourage the belief that fortunes will soon be made by continuing the search. As our readers know, the precious metal is there mechanically mixed with quartz in veins walled up on either side by primitive rock; and that after the quartz is mined, before it gives up its treasures, it is necessarily subjected to a laborious process in which the aid of heavy and costly machinery is indispensible. The expectation, then, that on arrival at the mines, the gold hunter has only to make his way to the nearest bar in an adjacent creek and begin filling his leather sack with dust and nuggets, is as absurd as it will be fatal to those who indulge it. Hence the importance of an outfit that will serve the daily wants of the emigrant until such time as he can begin to make his labor productive. The surplus must not necessarily be in pork and hard bread, because it is probable that provisions will be abundant and relatively cheap; but no emigrant ought to start without the certainty that for the first sixty, perhaps ninety, days of his stay, he has the means, outside of the returns of his labor, for his support. The neglect of this precaution was, during the last season, productive of disastrous consequences. Let us hope that the lesson then enforced may not now be forgotten.

ADMISSION OF KANSAS.

It is said by the Washington correspondent of the Cincinnati *Enquirer* that the extreme sectional feeling of the South has compelled Hon. John J. Crittenden of Ky., to declare that he will vote against the admission of Kansas. Inasmuch as the application of Kansas is perfectly regular, based on the legitimate action of a large majority of her people, we cannot believe that the report is anything more than a Washington *canard*, but if the South, while claiming that new Slave States should be admitted, wants to change the issue by refusing to admit States that are Free, upon her be the consequences. We shall see.

To Advertisers.

On the 1st of January, 1860, the Fort Wayne *Republican* published the business statistics of that city for 1859, from which the following facts and figures are compiled, and which are now presented to merchants and business men in other cities, to enable them to form a correct estimate of the commercial importance of the place:

The assessed value of property in 1851 was	$1,186
population in 1859	6,000
Assessed value of property in 1859	3,317,313
Population now, 1860	7,000
The increase of property in the past year, was	40,000
The average yearly amount of wheat raised, bus.	1,000,000
The number of days it was	365
The pounds of grain, tons	7,000
The value	$84,000
The cars, sets	1,200
The value	120,000
The number sold in the city	2,000
The clothing manufactured and sold	250,000
The boots and shoes sold	200,000
The hides shipped, No.	10,000
The sheep pelties, No.	5,000
The amount of dry goods sold	600,000
The hard ware and stoves	150,000
The furniture sold	40,000

The *Republican* is a valuable medium in which to advertise, and should be encouraged by those of our wholesale dealers who are anxious to compete with Cincinnati for the trade of Central Indiana.

The Republican Party in Delaware.

The Milford (Del.) *News and Advertiser* of the 27th of January, has a long article on the propriety of having Delaware represented in the Chicago Convention. The *News and Advertiser* says:

Now the question for us is, shall we go where the principles of Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Webster and Clay lead us, or shall we give our votes and our influence to hasten the prostitution of the Constitution and the dissolution of the Union in the hands of the Slave Democracy, led by Jeff. Davis, Toombs and O'Conner?

It must be plain, even to the dullest comprehension, that the next campaign is to be fought by the Republicans on the one hand, on the other by the Democracy divided by the most bitter names, and the Slave-Democracy on the other, upon an ultra sectional platform manufactured for the occasion by their Southern masters.

Let this be the issue, and the triumph of the same party in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, send its delegates to Chicago, and thus ally itself with the great National Union Republican party of the country, and it is to rule the destinies of this nation for many years to come.

Spurgeon on Slavery.

Spurgeon, the London preacher, in a letter to the Boston *Watchman and Reflector*, clears himself from the charge, recently made against him and his publishers, of suppressing his denunciations of slavery in the American edition of his sermons, which circulate extensively in the Southern States. We quote a few passages from his letter:

"Having no slaveholders in England, I should have been beating the air if I had preached against slavery to my people, for that is the very last crime they are likely to commit. It is far more probable that any slaveholder who visited their chapel would be likely to hear and get a mark which he would carry to his grave, if it did not carry him there.

"I do from my inmost soul detest slavery anywhere and every where, and although I commune at the Lord's table with men of all creeds yet with a slaveholder. I have no fellowship of any sort or kind. Whenever one has called upon me I have considered it my duty to express my detestation of his wickedness, and would as soon think of receiving a murderer into my church or into any sort of friendship as a manstealer. Nevertheless, as I have preached in London and not in New York, I have seldom made any allusion to American slavery in my sermons.

This accounts for the rumor that I have left out the *anti-slavery* from my American edition of sermons. This is not true in any measure, for, as far as my memory serves me, I cannot remember that the subject was handled at all in any of my printed sermons beyond a passing allusion, and I have never uttered a single sentence in a sermon which has been sent out to my American publishers beyond the mere correction which involved words and not sense. However, if any think me capable of such double-dealing, I doubt not that they judge of me by themselves, and from such persons search is not desirable. I do not therefore regret the loss of it. I have the much to say to all who respect me in America: I did not want to be blaming you constantly, while there are sins enough in my own country, and I shall not spare your nation in future. I shall remember that my words echoed beyond the Atlantic, and the crying sin of a man-stealing people shall not go unrebuked. I did not blame, but I had been so fully adopted a citizen of your republic, but finding that you allow me to be one of yourselves, I will speak out quite mercifully enough, and perhaps more sharply than will meet with approbation.

Indemnity for Loss of Slaves.—In the Pennsylvania Senate, a few days ago, there was presented a memorial, signed John H. Wheeler, a citizen of North Carolina, by which he claims indemnity for the escape of an old, for the loss of service and value of his three slaves—one of whom was his body servant—stolen or "spirited" away by a citizen of Pennsylvania, in July, 1852, while he, the said Wheeler, was in Philadelphia, was on his way through Pennsylvania, northward, for the purpose of embarking for Nicaragua, in which enterprise he had been accredited as minister from that of the United States. The gentleman introduced his bill at some length, and moved that it be referred to a committee to be appointed by the Speaker. Mr. Forney, who had figured conspicuously in the seizure of Pennsylvania soil, opposed the reference.

To the Western Gold Fields.

Special notices in the daily Press are Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, and always on the watch for whatever pertains to Chicago and western interests, favors addition to the suggestion before the Chicago Board of Trade, calling for the opening of an Eastern and Commercial highway between this city and Jefferson, the seat of the Rocky Mountain gold mines.

I wish to call attention to several items which have a bearing upon the subject thus brought before the public, gathered from personal observation, and from facts established by the most reliable explorations.

First: That Omaha City, the capital of Nebraska, and Council Bluffs, Iowa, on the opposite side of the Missouri river, are, and always will be, the main distributing points for all the Missouri valley above the city of St. Joseph, Missouri.

Second: That Omaha City is the natural and most feasible point upon the Missouri river for the starting of a commercial and railroad route to the Rocky Mountain gold mines, and to Pike's Peak; because it is at the foot of the great Platte valley, and commercially at the mouth of the great Platte river; because, with the exception of table land of about twelve miles width, between the plateau upon which Omaha is built, and the Platte valley, there is a magnificent and natural railroad grade on the north side of the Platte river for over six hundred miles, either to the gold mines on the South Fork of the Platte river, as the "Overland" route to the "South Pass," by the North Fork of the Platte River and to Oregon; because, again, there is a United States Military Road laid out and bridged from Omaha to the Pacific settlements west of the Rocky Mountains, which has proved the Platte route the most practicable even for the pioneer travel—the great emigration of 1859, after trying their rotter falling into the Platte valley at Ft. Kearney, whether Leavenworth, St. Joseph, or St. Louis was the starting point; because, finally, a railroad can be built millions of dollars cheaper by this route, it being the only natural railroad grade near the central portion of the country from the Missouri River to the summit of the Rocky Mountains.

Thirdly. That the city of Chicago, with her present advantages, being directly in the line of this great national route, has it in her power to secure the Western trade from the Missouri Valley, and at the same time make herself a successful competitor for one of the most prominent points in the commercial relations of the world, by *extending* the highway of nations, which God in His Providence is opening from Europe and Asia, by the Grand Trunk Railway lines, and the lines of Boston and New York, *westward to the Pacific coast*, thus eventually completing a circle for the flow of the world's commerce.

ASTRA.

Letter from Richard Realf—His Opinion of Brown and Coon.

The following is a copy of a letter from Richard Realf, Old Brown's Secretary of State, to the brother-in-law of Cook, who was executed for participating in the Brown raid:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 23, 1860.

DEAR SIR:—Your favor of the 17th instant, addressed in care of the Senate Investigating Committee, is received, and I hasten to assure you of my sympathy and condolence with yourself and family in your recent sorrowful bereavement. You will, I am sure, pardon me for saying that in relation to your deceased brother, I cannot consistently offer you any of the sentiments with which you appear to regard him. I cannot, that is, consent to call him unfortunate, for this is phrase, two "likely" negro girls sweet, and to die by the executioner's hand is an ignominious doom; yet when in the lapse of time the deed for which John Edwin Cook is murdered shall be seen by posterity in the light it is in its true proportions, and calm analysis shall be substituted for loud-mouthed horror, and the motives which impelled to the act shall, as they will, be found the verdict upon it, the name and memory of your dead brother may become unto you a glorious inheritance forever. I take to myself credit for that I dissolved my connection with that mistaken and ill-fated enterprise; and yet, in justice to the odium deed, I must confess that the spirit of brotherhood, and of unselfish and high authority of courage, upon which it rested, eclipse so surpassingly my careful prudence and politic caution, that though the result has confirmed the justice of my action, I am going to Lawrence, Mo., to leave the "chattels" with some relatives said to be living in that convenient locality, until the question shall be finally settled. Information was filed, and a warrant was issued by his Honor, Judge Miller, for kidnapping, under the provisions of the Code on the subject, and about 9 hours after Curtis' departure officers were in pursuit. It is supposed however, that the Missouri line would protect him before he could be overtaken. These are the facts as we have them from persons friendly to Curtis.

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ASTRA.

Letter from Richard Realf—His Opinion of Brown and Coon.

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Cargo of Human Bones.

A cargo of two hundred and thirty-seven tons of human bones lately arrived in England from the Crimea, to be used in the manufacture of manure! The British soldier may be cheered to think that it is used to dig for his country, but one would think he would not be much comforted with this thought of his flesh, once he gives to the vultures, and his bones brought back to an English dunghill. Some of them, no doubt, however, have been used to manure the land, bestowed by their country for their services, and to die by the execution of a hand is an ignominious doom; yet when in the lapse of time the deed for which John Edwin Cook is murdered shall be seen by posterity in the light it is in its true proportions, and calm analysis shall be substituted for loud-mouthed horror, and the motives which impelled to the act shall, as they will, be found the verdict upon it, the name and memory of your dead brother may become unto you a glorious inheritance forever. I take to myself credit for that I dissolved my connection with that mistaken and ill-fated enterprise; and yet, in justice to the odium deed, I must confess that the spirit of brotherhood, and of unselfish and high authority of courage, upon which it rested, eclipse so surpassingly my careful prudence and politic caution, that though the result has confirmed the justice of my action, I am going to Lawrence, Mo., to leave the "chattels" with some relatives said to be living in that convenient locality, until the question shall be finally settled. Information was filed, and a warrant was issued by his Honor, Judge Miller, for kidnapping, under the provisions of the Code on the subject, and about 9 hours after Curtis' departure officers were in pursuit. It is supposed however, that the Missouri line would protect him before he could be overtaken. These are the facts as we have them from persons friendly to Curtis.

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Destructive and Terrible Conflagration.

[From the Memphis Avalanche, Jan. 27th.]

About half past three o'clock this morning the livery stable known as the Gayoso Stables, on the Post Office square, was discovered to be on fire. The fire made rapid progress, and, before it could be checked, totally consumed the stables, the Post Office building, and a whole square to Front Office block, to a heap of ruins. A considerable amount of goods was saved from the stores burned, but still the loss is immense. Forty horses are reported to have been burned. We counted thirty-two carcasses charred and half consumed. It was rumored at one time that two men were killed by an explosion of chemicals in a drug store, but we have been unable to trace the rumor to any reliable source. There seems no doubt the fire was the work of an incendiary. When discovered by a man sleeping in the stable, he had actually attacked the bed upon which he was lying, the latter consisting in a measure of the hay in Cordaro's drinking saloon, was badly, though not dangerously, burned. He reports several men in the room from which he escaped badly singed. Whether all escaped or not is uncertain. So rapid was the progress of the flames that the fire department, though early on the ground, were unable to check them at all, and confined their efforts mainly to saving the surrounding property.

The stable building burned belonged to Stratton, McDavitt & Co., and was worth about $5,000. Insured for $3,000 by the Ætna and Hartford Insurance Company of Memphis. It was occupied by J. M. Woodward, whose loss is probably $12,000 to $15,000. He was insured $6,000 in the Ætna and Hartford Insurance Company, Hartford, and $3,000 in the City Fire Insurance Company of Hartford—$10,000 in all. The fire is supposed to have originated in the hay in the back part of the stable.

The fire from the stable communicated to the Post Office building, owned by John Overton, and valued at $50,000; insured for $12,000—$6,000 in the Memphis Insurance Company, of Memphis, and $6,000 in the Memphis Insurance Company. The Post Office fixtures and furniture was mainly burned—loss probably $4,000 to $6,000.

All, or nearly all, the letters, papers, and stamps in the office were saved.

A shoemaker's shop, a tobacco saloon; estimated loss, $5,000—probably insured.

Goodyear & Co.'s drug store; loss heavy, probably $8,000—insured for $6,000 in the Ætna Insurance Company, of Hartford.

Italian confectionary, fruit store, &c.; loss unknown—no insurance.

Fowlkes & Co., grocers, cotton factors, &c.; much of their stock was saved—insured for $8,000 in the Memphis Insurance Company.

There were about fifteen offices in the Post Office block, occupied mainly by lawyers and doctors, who mostly met with slight losses, but none so large as to require particularizing.

The insurance on the property destroyed amounts to about $41,000. The loss is probably about $65,000.

The Pemberton Machinery Worthless —Condition of the Wounded, &c.

The Boston *Journal* of Saturday has the following:

"A large force of men are still at work on the ruins of the Pemberton Mill, under the direction of the officers of the company, overhauling and removing the mass of machinery and rubbish. A large part of the machinery is found to be worthless, except for sale as old iron, but what is of any value will be carefully saved. In bringing laborers upon the ruins, a preference has been given to those formerly employed in the mill, and quite a large number are now at work engaged on the wreck. It will take considerable time yet to clear away all the rubbish, such is the nature and magnitude of the work. The steam and water pipes, which run through a large portion of wall between them, are still standing, and the chimney will no doubt remain a monument, pointing out the scene of the great calamity.

The Hospital at No. 10, Pemberton Corporation, in Lawrence, supported by a combination of the charity of the City of Lawrence, the owners of the Pemberton Mill, several benevolent gentlemen of Boston, is now doing the good work for which it was instituted. There are now twenty-seven patients in the hospital, and others will be removed to the Hospital next week. The wounded here, as well as those scattered at the other hotels, are receiving every attention that can be rendered. The Calahan girl, who refused amputation when it was absolutely necessary to save her life, has a chance to recover. Everything that can be done by those who control the operations of relief, is done to make the sufferers comfortable."

The *Traveler* learns "that the owners of the Pemberton Mill have made claim upon the Insurance Companies for the entire amount of the insurance, some $615,000, and have retained able legal counsel in case the claim is resisted."

A large amount of the cotton in the mill is held by New York Companies. We understand that it is the intention of these companies to contest the claim of the mill-owners, on the ground that the property was not really destroyed by fire, but by the fall of the building. The fire occurred after that event.—*N. Y. Times.*

Minnesota Items.

[From the Minnesotian and Times, Jan. 26th.]

THE LE SUEUR COUNTY RELIEF.—The county seat excitement in Le Sueur county, of which I wrote you, has had an end. The Board of Supervisors declared the office of both Register of Deeds and Treasurer vacant, and proceeded to fill the vacancies. The former incumbents refused to give up the books, and the Sheriff thereupon summoned his posse of about 250 men, who with rifles and revolvers, bowie knives, pistols, &c., took them by force! The calling out of a posse by the Sheriff, is the most ridiculous thing on record, and every intelligent man in the county is not only ashamed of the affair, but of the Sheriff also. They declare he is a *coward*, as any one man of firmness, armed with the authority of the law, could have taken the books without difficulty. But the county seat is now at Cleveland.

THE FREE PRESS TO START AGAIN.—W. C. Dodge, Esq., of the St. Peter's *Free Press*, is about to start a paper at Mankato. Mr. Moore, his former partner, is also going to start a Republican paper, the first number of which will appear in about two weeks. The citizens, in view of his late loss by fire, have purchased and presented to Mr. Moore, the old "*Traverse des Sioux Reporter*" establishment, which was sold at Sheriff's sale last week. This is perhaps the most complete printing office in the State outside of St. Paul. So, you see, we are to be well supplied with Republican papers in St. Peter.

A WAGON RACE.—Two two-horse teams came running into St. Peter last Saturday, causing no little excitement. They were driven from Fort Ridgley, forty miles distant, in three hours, on a bet of $75.

Another New Light.

A new, brilliant, and very economical light has recently been tested on a large scale at the Crystal Palace, London. It is described as more powerful than the Drummond light, giving an intensity of brightness—with steadiness, continuity, and diffusiveness. In short, it is in every way practically available for the ordinary purposes of artificial light. It is produced by projecting a jet of oxygen and hydrogen, or oxygen and carburetted hydrogen vases combined, upon a surface of lime, and so regulating the supply and protecting the lime from crumbling away, as to insure with perfect continuity a maximum brilliancy of intensity. The power of illumination is immense, a single jet of medium size being equivalent to the light of four hundred wax candles or four to the pound. It is represented to be peculiarly adapted for coast lights, steamers, sailing vessels, railways, signals, bridges, wharves, churches, factories, public rooms, squares, large and important buildings, and for military purposes. It is eminently adapted for military operations in the field, both in attack and defence of important positions, as the light is not affected by rain, and is clear and powerful at long distances. On a score of expense, the saving is very great. The lime light costs two cents an hour, coal gas eight cents, and oil thirty cents. The electric light costs but one cent. The experiment and effulgent display are described as surpassing the expectations even of the most sanguine visitors.

Dr. Hall on Hotel Living.

In the last number of his *Journal of Health* Dr. Hall says of the system of family hotel-ing:

When a wife or daughter has nothing to do, and the appetite is stimulated day after day by all the arts of "scientific cookery"—when the five o'clock dinner is universal, and when the stomach is "raving" for food in consequence of the almost entire abstinence since breakfast—a double work is thrown upon the digestive faculties, and keeps it "laboring" during the greater part of the night, making what ought to be the hours of natural and absolutely delicious rest to take care of themselves and leave the city to pay the bonds. If this be so, the Common Council should take prompt and decisive action in the premises, and apply, if need be, to the Legislature, for such act or authority as they may require to compel the Railroad to keep limbo with the City."

FARM MORTGAGORS MEETING.—A meeting of those who had given mortgages on their farms to aid in building the Racine & Mississippi Railroad was held at Springfield, Walworth county, on the 25th of January. After a meeting was organized, a League was formed, the object of which is to resist the payment of the mortgages which they had given for the purposes above names. Tiny M. Perkins, Esq., of Racine, was chosen President of the League, and David Williams, of Springfield, was chosen Corresponding Secretary. David Williams was also chosen Agent to attend to the interests of the Mortgagors, and directed to visit Madison during the trial of the first suit involving the validity of Farm Mortgages, given to the Railroad Company, that shall come before the Supreme Court. James Baker of Spring Prairie was present, and in answer to a call, stated the action already had by the Leagues formed on other Railroads, and gave some instruction of farther action proposed. The meeting then adjourned to the 5th day of February next at one o'clock P. M., at Springfield.—*Racine (Wis.) Journal.*

—On Thursday evening, January 26th, a meeting of the citizens of Keokuk was held for the purpose of eliciting public feeling and prompting public action in reference to the speedy completion of the Illinois and Southern Iowa Railroad from Carthage to Clayton, by which a direct communication may be secured to Keokuk, with all the important commercial points, East and South.

—About 700 hands are now at work on the line of the M. & M. Railroad, west of Iowa City. They work on Sunday also, and those who work on this day get double wages.

A RAILROAD ENGINEER CUT IN TWO.—A fatal accident occurred last evening about two miles from the city, by which a engineer in the employ of the Grand Trunk Railway, named Jas. Healy, met a horrible death. He had brought his train down from Port Huron during the afternoon, and, on the arrival of the Michigan Southern from Monroe at the junction three miles out, got on board, in company with his fireman, to ride into the city. When the train started he attempted to pass from the roof of the forward baggage car to the tender, with the intention of riding on the locomotive. While stooping to gain a foothold on the tender, the

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Financial and Commercial.

MONETARY.

TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 1.

Unintelligent dullness has got vastly possession of the money market. To such an extent has this "leading fact" become "fixed," that most of our prominent Cashiers and bank managers, with the President and several members of the Board of Trade, have organized a daily noon Meeting on *State* below Rush street bridge, where for the last few days the fun has so afforded ample opportunity for this healthy and exhilarating exercise. A sensible and very capital meeting is that, and its influence upon the financial affairs of the city must be lasting and effective. All that is wanting to render this meeting every thing that could be desired, is a heavy of ladies shod in shining steel, and it cannot be doubted that many fine gentlemen have the ability to supply that very fashionable deficiency. It is to be hoped the ladies will "sarich" our bankers by their presence, while they promote their own health, and "insure" fine rosy cheeks by this innocent and delightful sport. If this paragraph is voted out of the circle of financial literature, our apology is that our bankers themselves have got out on the ice, and from necessity our editorial followed them there.

Quotations remain in all respects the same as yesterday. Exchange is steady at 2½ premium for currency. Gold 24@24¼. Buying rates 1@1 below these figures.

CHICAGO.

The *Gazette* and the *Commercial* both report the money market easier. The tendency of exchange is to lower rates.

NEW YORK.

In New York money is more abundant. Call loans are readily obtained at 5@6 per cent and the supply of first-class paper is decreasing. The last weekly bank statement shows the following figures:

Loans	$97,343,891	$100,683,626	Dec. $3,339,735
Specie	19,223,494	19,043,728	Inc. 179,766
Circulation	5,180,551	5,249,551	Dec. 69,000
Deposits	74,150,551	76,419,286	Dec. 2,268,735

COMMERCIAL.

TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 7.

The following are the receipts and shipments for the past twenty-four hours:

	Flour bbls.	Wht Corn bush.	Oats bush.	Rye bush.	Barley bush.	Prov'ns lbs.	Wool lbs.
G. & C. R. R.	2,100	7,000	7,000			60,000	2,000
M. Central R. R.	1,000	1,000					
R. Island R. R.	700	1,500				100,000	
Illinois Central R. R.						150,000	
Michigan R. R.	220	300				40,000	
C. & A. R. R.	1,000	2,000				100,000	
Total	5,020	11,800	7,000			450,000	
Shipments	3,000	20,000	37,000	500	700	50,000	5,000

	Dressed Hogs No.	Cattle No.	Sheep No.	Hides No.	Wool lbs.	Lead lbs.
G. & C. R. R.	1,000	200	100	200	2,000	60,000
M. Central R. R.						
R. Island R. R.	100	150				
Illinois Central R. R.						
Michigan R. R.						
C. & A. R. R.	200	100				
Total	1,300	450	100	200	2,000	60,000
Shipments	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	5,000	100,000

The receipts of Hogs, live and dressed, today amounted to 1,671, and the market for both kinds were buoyant and somewhat excited. Dressed Hogs were in active demand at an advance of fully 10c on yesterday's prices—sales being made at a range of $6.35@6.75. Hogs averaging 200 lbs and upwards sold readily at $6.50@6.62½. Live Hogs also were in active request, and one lot of extra heavy Hogs brought $5.45 gross—the highest prices paid this season.

In Provisions we have to report a very quiet though firm market. There are buyers of Mess Pork at $16 50; but the small amount offering is held at $17.00. In the market, therefore, we have no sales to report. In Lard there is a steady demand for it, and only some 350 bushels have been disposed of, mostly at $8@8.35 per bush. No change in Tierces or Flax Seed.

The Cincinnati the *Gazette* yesterday says:—"The demand for Clover was less active the latter part of the week, and this, with the continued liberal supplies, caused rather a dull market, though prices have not changed essentially. About 800 bris sold during the week at $4.90 per bush, closing dull and nominal at $4.75@4.85. Timothy in good demand and scarce. We quote prime at $3.25."

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—Receipts, 3,068 bbls flour; 3,400 bu wheat; 6,178 bu corn; 1,680 bu oats; 498 bu Rye; 31 pkgs beef; 144 do pork; 286 do bacon; 270 do lard; 1,415 dressed hogs.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 30, P. M.—Flour dull, but unchanged.

A fair demand for Mess Pork, and prices have advanced to $15@15.50 for new.

Bacon is nominal, at 6½c for Shoulders, and 9½c for Sides. The receipts of Bulk Meats are light, and the market is firmer and prices 2c higher; Shoulders 6½c and Sides 9c.

Lard dull, and the demand local and limited at 10¼@10½c.

Whisky very dull, and prices unsettled and nominal.

Cheese dull, and selling slowly at 9½c.

Sugar steady, and in fair demand at 7½@7¾c for fair to fully fair.

Molasses firm at 40c.

TOLEDO, Feb. 1.—The *Blade* of last evening says:

The receipts at Toledo by Railroad, for the week ending Jan. 30, were—

Flour, bbls	2,500	Oats, bu	4,115
Wheat, bu	5,000	Barley, bu	1,000
Corn, bu	1,000	Rye, bu	1,000
Lard, lbs	5,000	Pork, bbls	100
Tallow, lbs	2,000	Beef, bbls	100
Seeds, lbs	10,000		

The thermometer is much lower to-day, but that is about the only distance to be noticed, commercially or otherwise. We quote without change. Flour—Dull and heavy, with little or no inquiry. Held at $5.85@5.75 for red and $5.75 for white common to choice extra and XX. WHEAT—Quiet and steady; red at 1.20@1.22½, and white at 1.25@1.27½. Corn—Scarce and firm at the car 38c. Seeds—Clover, $4.90 with good inquiry; Timothy very scarce, $3.50@3.60; Flax 1.16@1.18. Domestic Hour—Firm at $5.75@5.90.

PITTSBURGH, February 1, 1860.—Business was quite brisk on the wheel, though the transactions in a net were rather limited. The J. R. Ford and Shenango came in from St. Louis with good trips, and the Hornets from Wheeling. Flour is holding down a good deal, but the Ohio Canal is keeping it back at 4½. Flour sells from store from first hands for $5.50@5.60. The stocks continue full and are steadily being received by river. Prices have settled to over from store of 1.13 bush of various qualities. For Super $3.35, Extra $4.75@4.87, Family $5.75@6.00; Fancy $6.00@6.25. Southern Flour—Any bids at $4.90 @ cwt. Corn—Prices at depot at 64@70c; 200 bush shelled from store at 75c; 450 bush Oats at 48c.

RALEIGH, January 31.—Flour—Dull at $5 50 for Howard street. Wheat—Steady and unchanged. Corn—Dull and declining. White 90c. Provisions—Firm. Whisky—Quiet at 24c.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 31—[Special Dispatch to the *Inquirer*.]—Flour—Unchanged. Wheat dull—sales of 2,000 bush Penna red at $1.30@1.33; White $1.40@1.50. Corn dull; Yellow 74@75c. Provisions unchanged: Mess Pork $16; Hams 12@13c, and Shoulders 10c; Sides 10c. Whisky dull at 23½@24c.

N. Y. Times—Jan. 31.—The *Republican* of yesterday says:

The weather altered last night and became so severely cold to-day as to cause fear that the prospect for an early resumption of navigation may be deferred some time longer. No interruption has been given since last week to the sailing with the section of the upper Mississippi, which is reported to be in navigable condition, so, therefore, we cannot yet point to an accession to the receipts of the upper rivers, resulting from meagre supplies, favorable to sellers. Millers want $5.75 per barrel for city superfine, in round lots, and corn was also held higher, but as there was no opportunity for the day of making shipments to New Orleans, there was rather less demand for both articles. Wheat was in better supply than usual. Deliveries were quite liberal, compared with what we have had in that article, and amounted to 3,000 bags; all sold, however, as well as a large lot to come forward at full prices. Provisions are steady and generally firm, the movement of a generally buoyant feeling in other articles, but we report only a moderate business.

THE GRAND TRADE OF MILWAUKEE IN JANUARY. The Milwaukee *Sentinel* of yesterday contains the following:

The following statement shows the receipts of the articles named at this city for the month of January, as compared with the corresponding period in 1859:

RECEIPTS OF FLOUR AND GRAIN IN JANUARY.

	1860.	1859.	Inc.	Dec.
Flour, bbls	34,170	13,350	1,870	
Wheat, bush	34,000	17,500	16,500	
Corn, bu	11,000	17,000		6,000
Oats, bu	14,000	47,000		33,000
Barley, bu	11,000	14,000		3,000
Rye, bu	1,000	1,000		

We append the closing quotations for those articles in January, this year and last:

COMPARATIVE PRICES IN JANUARY 1859 AND 1860.

	1860.	1859.
Flour—Spring Extra	$4.50@4.75	$4.25@4.75
Wheat—No. 1 Spring	1.20	1.00@1.05
Corn, bu	40@41	40@42
Oats, bu	30@32	30@32
Barley, bu	50@55	50@55
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FLOUR AND GRAIN IN STORE.—The following is a comparative statement of the stock of flour, grain and pork in store at the warehouses and elevators of this city on the 1st of February, for three years:

	1860.	1859.	1858.
Flour, bbls	16,000	42,000	4,000
Wheat, bush	278,000	68,000	350,000
Corn, bu	27,000	114,000	3,000
Oats, bu	2,000	11,000	2,000
Barley, bu	3,000	31,000	13,000
Rye, bu	1,000	1,000	
Pork, bbl	14,000	21,000	1,000

Daily Review of Chicago Market.

TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 7, 1860.

FLOUR—Receipts 693 bris. Market dull. Sales were:—300 bris "Dawson" choice Spring extra to bags and bris at $6 50 delivered; 100 bris choice Spring extra at $6 75 delivered; 50 bris Superfine at $4.50 delivered.

MILL STUFFS—No sales. Corn in Middlings at $13.00 per ton on track.

CORN—Receipts 4,488 bu. Market dull and easier. Sales were:—400 bu No 1 at 45c in store; 1,000 bu do at 45½c in store; 2,000 bu do at 45½c in store; 2,000 bu do at 45½c in store; 1,000 bu do at 45½c in store; 1,000 bu do at 45½c in store; 1